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Sonoma Valley Townhall Water Forum

(Sonoma, CA) - Supervisor Valerie Brown is convening a townhall water forum on Thursday, March 23 at 6pm in the Sonoma Veterans Auditorium to look at untangling the regulatory maze of government agencies involved in the Sonoma Creek watershed.

"The forum offers people the opportunity to hear from government agencies about their jurisdiction over aspects of the Sonoma Creek Watershed and ask questions of the agencies directly," said Supervisor Brown. "It is also a chance for all of us to obtain a better understanding of Sonoma Creek and its tributaries and learn what projects are planned or in place in our creeks. I encourage anyone with questions to attend this meeting to listen to the information presented and ask questions of the agencies at their booths."

Present at the forum will be: City of Sonoma, Sonoma County Water Agency, Sonoma County Transportation and Public Works, Permit and Resource Management, Sonoma Ecology Center, Southern Sonoma County Resource Conservation District, the Army Corp of Engineers, Fish and Game, San Francisco Regional Water Quality Control Board, NOAA and FEMA. A number of the agencies will have booths with creek and water related materials which will be available to attendees.

Date: Thursday, March 23, 2006

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Sonoma Veterans Auditorium - 126 First St. West, Sonoma, CA

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